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LANGOUET et al.

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Art Unit: 2829

Examiner: KOBERT, Russell M.

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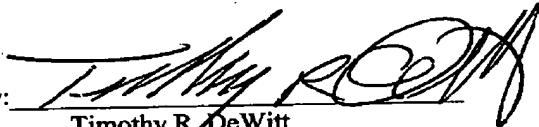
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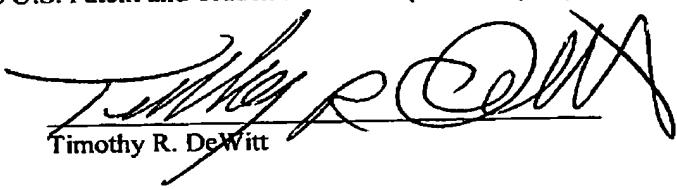
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AB1		4,963,104	10-1990	Dickie, Robert G.			
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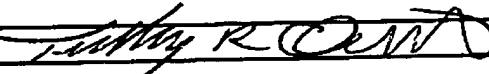
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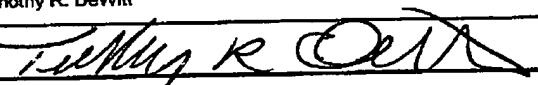
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